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No. 807—En. one book. Bangalore,

Dated 12th February 1916.

From

Sir M. VISVESVARAYA, K.C.I.E.,
Dewan of Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

The Hon'ble
Col. Sir HUGH DALY, K.C.I.E., C.S.I.,
Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed by His Highness the Maharaja to address you on the subject of the establishment of a University in Mysore. The question has been under consideration and discussion for the past five years. Two professors, long connected with University education in this State, were deputed—one to Europe and America and the other to Australia—to study modern developments in University education in those countries, and their reports have been received and considered.

2. I may here recall the fact that copies of these reports, together with a rough scheme for a University for Mysore, were placed before the officers of the Government of India when we visited Simla together in the month of July last. On that occasion you were kind enough to arrange for our discussion of the question individually with the Hon'ble Mr. Sharp (then Secretary to the Government of India in the Education Department), and subsequently at a meeting at which the Hon'ble Mr. Porter and the Hon'ble Mr. Wood were also present. As a result of these discussions, Mr. Sharp has favoured the Durbar with an exhaustive note (copy attached) containing many valuable suggestions.

The entire scheme has now been revised and remodelled in the light of Mr. Sharp's criticism and suggestions and copies of the revised draft Scheme are forwarded for favour of submission to the Government of India.

3. The Durbar have given much thought to the question as to the best type of University suited for Mysore. They agree with Mr. Sharp that the Unitary type is theoretically the best but they have had to take account of existing conditions and deviate to some extent from that type. For various important reasons, His Highness' Government have decided to locate the University in the city of Mysore. There are two first grade colleges in the State, one in Bangalore and the other in Mysore, and the two cities are separated by a distance of 85 miles and connected by a railway. The Central College at Bangalore is the older institution of the two, having been established nearly forty years ago, and a large body of tradition and local sentiment have gathered round it as a centre of higher education in the State. The abolition of such a college, or its reduction to the status of a second grade college, will be viewed with much disfavour by a large section of the people of Mysore; and it is considered desirable to improve both the existing institutions rather than do away with one of them for the sake of enlarging the other.

The Durbar have therefore come to the decision that the University should comprise the two existing colleges in the two cities but that, in other respects, it should approximate as closely as possible to the Unitary ideal. They understand that, for identical reasons, a somewhat similar type of University has been recommended for more than one Province in British India.

4. Each of the two colleges will have distinctive features of its own; the Mysore College will give special attention to Languages, History and Philosophy, and the Bangalore College to Mathematics and Science.

Facilities will be provided to enable the Undergraduates of both sections of the University to come together as frequently as possible for common lectures, the annual Convocation, the University week, sports and other similar objects. As stated already, the new University will, as far as possible, combine the advantages of a Unitary with those of a Federal type.

5. Wherever Mr. Sharp's suggestions could not be adopted, the reasons will be clear from a perusal of the Draft Scheme. The Durbar are anxious to clear any possible misapprehension on one or two points. The project is not put forward in any spirit of rivalry or dissatisfaction with any of the existing Universities, least of all with the Madras University under whose fostering care our University education has hitherto progressed, and advanced to a stage when the initiation of a separate University has become possible. Also, it may be stated that there is no

thought entertained of promoting University education at the expense of either Primary or Secondary education.

6. It is the intention of the Durbar not merely to maintain the existing standards set up by the Madras University but to introduce improvements where possible. It is their desire, at the commencement at least, to appoint a fair proportion of examiners from outside the State to conduct the Degree examinations. It may also be possible to take advantage of the facilities which exist in the Indian Institute of Science at Bangalore for training candidates for the M.Sc. Degree and for post graduate work.

Among the new features calculated to spread enlightenment among sections of the public, who have no opportunity of undergoing a regular University course, will be the establishment of—

(1) a Publication *Bureau* with a view to encourage the preparation of books of modern interest and the translation of scientific treatises into the vernacular; and

(2) a University Extension *Bureau* to carry on work similar to that undertaken by the newer Universities of England and America.

7. A Regulation will be passed in the local Legislative Council defining the scope, the functions and the authority of the new University. A draft of the proposed Regulation is printed as an appendix to the scheme.

8. The curricula of studies printed as Appendix III to the scheme indicate approximately the standard of studies aimed at. They will undergo careful revision and amplification at the hands of the Boards which will be specially appointed for the purpose before work is started.

9. The Durbar propose to start the University from 1st July 1916, which is the commencement of the official year in Mysore. It is also the beginning of the academic year of the Madras University to which our Colleges are already accustomed. The construction of the new buildings will be simultaneously taken in hand and the Durbar hope to complete both buildings and equipment before the end of the third year.

It is proposed to publish the scheme in the course of the next month, and, after the scheme has been before the public for a month or two, to pass final orders for commencing work from 1st July 1916.

10. The Durbar will be grateful if the Government of India are pleased to render them whatever help may be necessary in securing reciprocity in the matter of admission of graduates and undergraduates of the Mysore University into the Colleges of other Universities in British India and *vice versa*.

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11. The scheme is in general accordance with the principles and policy enunciated by the Government of India and the Durbar undertake full responsibility for bringing a healthy and up-to-date University into existence and for maintaining it at the requisite standard of efficiency.

With these observations, I have the honor to submit the scheme for the approval of the Government of India. The academic year, as stated already, begins in July next and as preparations have to be put in hand from now, the Durbar will esteem it a great obligation if the approval of the Government of India is communicated at their very early convenience.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. VISVESVARAYA,

Dewan of Mysore.

Pol. no. 886

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To

The Hon'ble

Col. Sir Hugh Daly, K.C.I.E., C.S.I.,

Resident in Mysore.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No.Pol.807 of the 12th February 1916 forwarding for submission to the Government of India a draft scheme for a University in Mysore, I have the honour to state that the Durbar would esteem it a great favour if the Government of India are pleased to accord recognition in British India to the Degrees conferred by the new University, for all purposes for which recognition is usually accorded to similar Degrees of other Universities, and thus enable ~~His Highness'~~ Government and the people of this State to inaugurate the new institution in our midst with all the reasonable facilities needed at the start.

I have, &c.,

6.3.16.

Dewan of Mysore.

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I have, &c.,

Dewan of Mysore.

To be shown to the Foreign Member.
If issued, copy to be submitted to H.H.

RSD.

6.3.16.

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Two copies

Submitted to His Highness.

I submit hetewith, for His Highness' kind perusal, letter No.Pol.886 dated the 6th March 1916, to the Hon'ble the Resident, requesting that the Government of India be moved with a view to obtain for the Degrees conferred by the Mysore University the same recognition in British India as is usually accorded to similar Degrees of other Universities. This request was not specifically made in our last letter and it is now done ~~at the kind suggestion of Sir Sankaran Nair~~, ~~whom I met during my visit to Delhi~~ as the omission has since come to light.

As there was no time to lose, the letter was issued in anticipation of approval.

7-3-16.

6 11 Bangalore 7th Mar 16

D. O. No. 3834

My dear Sir,

I sent to your address yesterday an official letter requesting that the Government of India may kindly be moved to accord recognition in British India to the degrees conferred by the new University of Mysore. By an oversight, the letter was not, ~~I believe,~~ marked "Urgent". I have, however, no doubt that you will very kindly treat it as such. [illegible] for reference [illegible] light [illegible] discussions in Delhi

Yours very sincerely,

7.3.16

(Dewan)

The Hon'ble

Col. Sir Hugh Daly, K.C.I.E., C.S.I

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7th March 1916.

My dear Dewan Sahib,

I was just about to write to you regarding your official letter of yesterday about the University, when I received your d/o letter of this morning on the same subject.

The point which occurs to me is that our main object is that the reply of the Govt of India, approving the initiation of the scheme, should issue before Lord Hardinge goes, or at any rate that H.E. should pass orders for such a reply before leaving. This, I believe, His Excellency is quite prepared to do if the Education Dppt only get the file up to him in time with a recommendation to that effect. The Education Dept, so far as I know, will do their best to get Lord Hardinge's orders in time.; but they may wait for the answer from Madras & this may run things rather fine.

If I were now to forward your official letter of yesterday, I am afraid that it might cause the file to be delayed & perhaps just make the essential difference !

On the other hand, if the desired approval is accorded, we could then make the further suggestion as to recognition

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of degrees after the extreme urgency was over; so, unless I have misjudged or misunderstood the attitude of the Education Dept, I think they would certainly do their best for us, though I have some doubts as to what they can really do in the matter !

I now leave the decision with you. If you still think your official letter of yesterday should go forward at once, I will send it on immediately on hearing that you wish it done.

Yours very sincerely

A Daly

Bangalore
7 Mar 16.
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D. O. No. 3836

My dear Sir,

I am extremely obliged to you for your letter regarding the recognition of the degrees of the Mysore University. You know better than I ~~can ever suggest how to get the matter through~~ the procedure in practice and the Durbar ~~will~~ is inclined to leave the question entirely in your hands. Permission, formal or informal, to proceed with the University work is the main thing and I hope ~~you~~ they may ~~will~~ very kindly obtain ~~this~~ before the month is over. Perhaps you would like to send up our letter of yesterday after the month is over.

Yours very sincerely,

7-3-16.

Dewan.

The Hon'ble
Col. Sir Hugh Daly, K.C.I.E., C.S.I.,
Resident in Mysore.

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MALLESVARAM,
BANGALORE.

20 Mar. 1916

My dear Visvesvaraya,

Have I permission to go to Madras about the end of this week on duty in connection with the University business? If this is not considered new

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Bangalore
20 Mar 16

My dear Nanjundayya,

There is no objection to your going to Madras from the 24th to the 28th instant on duty in connection with University work. I am reporting the matter for His Highness' information.

Yours sincerely,

20.3.16

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Rajamantra Pravina

H.V.Nanjundayya Esqr., C.I.E.

To

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Bangalore
20-3-16

My dear Sir,

I enclose herewith a letter from Mr. H.V.Nanjundayya, First Member of Council, and copy of my reply thereto, regarding his visit to Madras in connection with University work. I request His Highness' kind approval to the action taken.

Yours sincerely,

20.3.16

Mirza M. Ismail Esqr., B.A.

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PRIVATE SECRETARY
MYSORE

THE PALACE,
MYSORE.
21st March 1916.

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My dear Sir,

His Highness approves of the grant of permission to Mr. H.V. Nanjundayya to go to Madras on duty in connection with the University work.

I am returning his letter.

Yours sincerely
Mirza M. Ismail

Sir M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E.,
Dewan of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Return the papers when done with.

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Yours Sincerely

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D. O. No. 3963

Bangalore,
18 April 1916.

My dear Sir,

Now that sanction has been obtained ~~for~~ to the ~~initiation~~ inauguration of the University scheme, perhaps you will very kindly consider whether the Durbar's official letter No.Pol.886 dated the 6th March 1916 requesting recognition of degrees conferred by the new University may be forwarded to India? We have no objection to wait for some time longer should you think such a course desirable.

Yours very sincerely,

Dewan

The Hon'ble
Col. Sir Hugh Daly, K.C.I.E., C.S.I.
Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

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Bangalore,

2nd May 1916.

My dear Sir Visvesvaraya,

Yesterday Mr. Tait called on me and we had a talk about the Mysore University scheme. Two important points were brought to notice- (1) the arrangements to be made in agreement with the Madras University for the continuation of the studies according to the Madras Univer-sity by those who are going to form the senior Intermediate next year; and (2) arrangements to be made from July next for the University classes in Mysore. Other matters mentioned by him, I shall communi-cate to you in person.

As it appears that on those two matters immediate action on the part of the Mysore Government is necessary, I should like to have a talk with you at your convenience and discuss them if you have no objection. I believe the Committee's reports so far received mention only one of them. Without an agreement of some sort with the Madras University it is difficult to see how the new Mysore University could continue the courses under the Madras University from July next. Mr. Tait represented that the parents of the boys are getting very anxious about the matter and that something definite has to be settled as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,
Sd. A.R.Banerji

My dear Mr. Banerji;

I have just received your letter of this date regarding Mr. Tait's talk with you about the University - - scheme . I have sent the letter to Mr Nanjundayya for furnishing details of the arrangements to be made with the Madras University on the subject. I have also enquired if it will be convenient to the Committee as a whole to meet us and state how matters stand. Perhaps Saturday, 4 p.m. might suit all the - - gentlemen concerned. We may ~~talk over the matter~~ talk over further when we meet at 12 noon tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

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A.N.Banerji, Esq., C.I.E.

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Ballabrooie,
High Ground,
Bangalore, 2nd May 1916.

My dear Najundayya,

I enclose herewith a letter I received from Mr. Banerji. You have already spoken to me about this matter.

To prevent any hitch, it is probably not as well to Communicate to the Madras University the arrangements we are making for starting the new University courses side by side with those of the Madras University.

If you will kindly obtain from Mr. Tait in writing what exactly is the procedure he suggests and submit ~~it~~ his suggestions to Government with your Committee's remarks, Government will take action immediately. A draft communication to the Madras University may also be kindly furnished.

As Mr. Tait is on the Madras University Syndicate, it ought to be very easy to arrange matters.

Could you very kidly ask the Committee to meet the Members of Council and myself, say, arrange for on Saturday next at 3 p.m., to take stock of progress so that we may have no surprises to face.

Yours ~~very~~ sincerely,

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No.3487.

From,

Major T.H.St. George Tucker,

First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

To

The Dewan of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 18th May 1916.

Sir,

With reference to Mr. D'Souza's letter No.1100 Pol.dated the 2nd May 1916 regarding the Mysore University, I am directed to state that the Government of India have telegraphed that the opinion of the Government of Madras is being forwarded, suggesting further consultation with the Madras University and that the Government of India concur in that opinion and commend it for the consideration of the Durbar.

2. A further communication will be made to you as soon as possible.

I have etc.,

Sd. T.St.G. Tucker.

First Assistant Resident.

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D. O. No. 4067

J.T. Bangalore
19 May 16.

Dear Major Tucker,

I have seen your letter No 3487 of yesterday's date regarding the Mysore University about which we had a talk yesterday. The Durbar will esteem it a favour if you will kindly write, or wire if necessary, to the Madras University to favour us, if they see no objection, with an advance copy of their letter to the Madras Government.

Yours sincerely,

19.5.16 [illegible]

Major T.St. G.Tucker,
First Asst. to the Hon'ble
the Resident in Mysore.

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My dear Nanjundayya

I learn that ~~the Communication~~ from the Madras University has raised no serious difficulties. I learn that and their suggestions only pertain to the arrangements they made ~~for the~~ in connection with the work under the Madras University in our Colleges during the transition period. ~~So that there need be no hesitation~~ about going on with our ~~preparations~~ I hope your preparations are going on as ~~so~~ as satisfactorily ~~as may as circumstances permit~~ as ever

Yours Sincerely

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Fernhill,

27th May 1916.

Mu dear Sir,

I enclose herewith for His Highness' private information, copy of a private letter I have written to the Hon'ble the Resident on receipt of the official communication about the University, copy of which I have already sent this motning.

Yours sincerely,

Sd) M.Visvesvaraya.

Mirza M.Ismail Esqr., B.A.

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From

Major T.H. St. George Tucker,
First Assistant Resident in Mysore.

To
The Dewan of Mysore.

Dated Ootacamund, 26th May 1916.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 3487, dated the 18th May 1916, regarding the Mysore University, I am directed to forward a copy of a letter No. 468, dated the 30th April 1916, from the Government of Madras, to the Government of India, enclosing a copy of a letter No. 2430 dated the 30th March 1916, from the Registrar of the Madras University, communicating the views of its Syndicate on the draft scheme for the Mysore University. It will be seen that the Government of Madras is of opinion that, even - should postponement be involved, full consultation between the Durbar and the Madras University on the important matters of principle mentioned by the Syndicate, should precede the establishment of the University.

2. I am to repeat that the Government of India concur in the opinion expressed by the Madras Government and commend it to the Durbar for their careful consideration.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd.) T.St. G.Tucker,
First Assistant Resident.

Copy of a letter No. 468, dated the 30th April 1916, from the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Educational Depart-ment, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education.

With reference to your letter dated 28th February and the subsequent telegraphic correspondence, I am to forward a copy of a letter dated the 30th March from the Registrar of The Madras University communicating the views of its Syndicate on the draft scheme for a University in Mysore to which your letter under reply referred.

2. In the first place I am to say that His Excellency the Governor in Council feels constrained to endorse the representations of the Syndicate regarding the inadequacy of the time which has been given for the consideration of a scheme which must intimately affect the Madras University. Moreover, the interests of Education in general in this Presidency cannot be divorced from those of the University, and however natural and even commendable may be the desire of the Mysore Durbar to inaugurate without delay their scheme, it was hardly open to this Government to express a precipitate and uncritical approval in a matter vitally affecting those interests.

3. The Governor in Council is in entire agreement with the Syndicate that the establishment of an efficient University in Mysore would be a benefit to education in this Presidency and he can only regret that neither he nor the Syndicate were consulted regarding a project which for its successful initiation and future welfare will require their active co-operation and a cordial understanding between the governing bodies of the two Universities. Had the Durbar at the inception of the scheme seen

seen fit to adopt that attitude of frank and friendly consult-ation which His Excellency in Council hopes will characterise future relations, considerable delay would have been avoided and also the risk of possible misunderstanding. The Durbar may be in a position to meet the criticisms contained in the Syndicate's letter or to allay its apprehensions, but at this stage His Excellency in Council can merely recommend them to the careful consideration of the Government of India. Time has not permitted of an exhaustive examination of the whole scheme, but there are certain points on which it is essential in his opinion that the views of the Syndicate should be met and he would venture to suggest that the Durbar be advised to take immediate steps to consult it with regard to them. The arrangements for the transition period, the rules regarding the admission of students from the Madras Presidency and the guarantees for the maintenance of a standard of efficiency in the new University which would justify reciprocity, are subjects upon which it seems that the Madras University may properly claim to be consulted. Accordingly, the Governor in Council trusts that this course will be adopted and that full consideration will also be given to the other representations of the Syndicate. He is confident that these have been made solely in the interests of education in this part of India and in a spirit of good will towards an understanding which if conducted on sound and enlightened principles should undoubtedly justify the expectations of its promoters.

4. In conclusion therefore I am to say that the Governor in Council is of opinion that, even should postponement be involved, full consultation between the Durbar and the Madras University on the important matters of principle mentioned by the Syndicate should precede the establishment of the University.

Copy of letter from the Registrar, University of Madras No.2430, dated the 30th March 1916.

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With reference to your D.O. No.785-I, Educational, - - dated 7th March 1916, I am directed by the Vice-Chancellor to - communicate the following observations on the draft scheme for a University in Mysore.

2. The Syndicate feel bound in the first place to state the the time allowed now to study the Mysore scheme is too short to - admit of all its implications being fully grasped and its potentialities for good or evil realised. The reason given for starting the New University next July -- to save another academic - - year -- is they submit wholly inadequate. It is moreover practically impossible that the Durbar will be able to secure satisfactory new Professors during the war or for some time after it, and highly improbable that the selected High Schools will be properly - staffed and equipped by July next for the pre-University courses, on the due carrying out of which the University's success so much depends.

3. The Syndicate further venture to remark upon the manner in which the Madras University has been kept in the dark as to the inception and development of this scheme. Mr. Sharp notes that in the original draft there was "an under current of complaint - against the Madras University". The Syndicate is quite unaware of any reason for such a tone. Much of the present efficiency of the Mysore Colleges is the result of pressure brought to bear from - Madras. Since the University re-organization the Syndicate has - used its powers to secure the representation on it of Mysore. These matters are not now alluded to because Mysore's desire for a separate University has created any soreness, but because it is a fact that the Mysore authorities would have done better to take the Syndicate into their confidence in framing their scheme. The Syndicate by no means resents the idea of a Mysore University - -

differing in important respect from their own; but they think th could have given very useful help in Mysore particularly in devising means by which the separation of the new University from the old could have been effected with the minimum of disturbance and inconvenience to both. The transition, arrangements detailed in the Mysore Scheme, for instance, take a good deal for granted on the part of Madras. In particular it is assumed that we shall be willing to admit to our examination students who have completed their courses in colleges no longer under our control, or we shall have to admit the anomaly of a college being at the same time part of one University and affiliated to another.

4. The Syndicate further submit that at least as elaborate precautions ought to be taken in founding a University as are prescribed in the University Act for the affiliation of a college. Under that Act this can only be done after a local enquiry and a thorough sifting of the statements of the management. This new University is to be constituted without any such enquiry. Mr. Sharp disclaims knowledge of local conditions -- and on the bare statements of the Durbar on such vital matters, as their ability to supply adequate funds or that the funds they can supply will be adequate and their intention to secure a suitable staff. It is not of course suggested that the affiliation procedure can be followed in detail but a local enquiry by a small Imperial committee seems possible and the representation of this University on such a committee would probably be convenient.

5. The precise question addressed by the Government of India to the Government of Madras is whether that Government "see any reason to dissent from the general attitude which the Government of India propose to adopt in the matter"; and that attitude would appear to be that the scheme may be approved "if it presents no outstanding features likely to lead to inefficiency". The Syndicate have carefully considered the scheme from this point of view, since they are of opinion that the establishment of an efficient University in Mysore would promote the best interests of

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the University of Madras.

6. In forming an estimate of the degree of efficiency that the proposed University may be expected to attain they have been greatly helped by Mr. Sharp's note with the recommendations of which they find themselves in almost complete agreement and in the second paragraph of which they see indications of the misgiving that they themselves cannot but feel. It will be observed that the Durbar states that "the entire scheme has now been revised and remodelled in the light of Mr. Sharp's criticism and suggestions". The Syndicate cannot be sure in the absence of a copy of the original draft, how far the revision has gone. But they observe that in some important particulars Mr. Sharp's suggestions have not been accepted.

7. The University is to be of the federal type which Mr. Sharp strongly advised that its work should be concentrated at Bangalore. The Syndicate notes that the Government of India have accepted as inevitable the retention of the two colleges, separated by a distance of 80 miles, but they consider that the proposal to confine one to science and the other to arts is unfortunate as being opposed to the very idea of a University which implies the gathering together in one place of students and teachers interested in a diversity of subjects.

8. Mr.Sharp's paragraph 24(iv) on the relation to High Schools contains a very important statement of principles. The Durbar apparently accept these principles. They intend to preserve their Secondary School-leaving certificate system and to use it indirectly as a test of fitness for University studies. They mean however to attach to some half dozen High Schools additional classes which will be preparatory to the University. This is approved by the Government of India as "a postponement of the entrance of students upon University courses" but it appears to the Syndicate that so far as the selected schools are concerned it tends to obliterate that clear division between University and school organization to which they believe the Government of India attach great importance. It is further to be noted that these are six schools out of only fourteen English schools for boys in Mysore and it is not very probable that the pre-University classes will be permanently limited to six and that in consequence the proposed arrangement is likely to lead to the subordination of English Secondary education in the State to University requirements.

9. It would appear that in the original draft the functions of the senate were not defined and Mr.Sharp assumed that it would be an advisory body. It now appears that it is to legislate and is to deal with University curricula, a function which in the Syndicate's view ought to be discharged by experts. He further remarks that one-third of it may consist of lay members. The draft scheme confirms this, but it contains no sort of guarantee that the proportion of lay members will be limited to one-third. It is true that Faculties and Boards presumably Boards of Studies are to be instituted but this very important part of University organization is discussed in two short paragraphs page (14) and no indication is given as to how the Faculties and Boards are to be constituted nor by what authority they are to be appointed.

10. The Syndicate concurs with Mr. Sharp in commending the appointment of a salaried Vice-Chancellor. They would have particularly welcomed a declaration by the Durbar that it was intended to select for this important post a gentleman of high academic distinction and wide experience of the work of a European and Indian Universities. It is clear that the University may be very much what the Vice-Chancellor makes it and that qualifications short of these will not ensure an adequate discharge of his duties.

11. All these matters do not directly concern the University of Madras although they are very important from the point of view of the efficiency of the new University. There are however certain other points which touch directly and immediately the interests of this University and a right decision as to which is essential for the future progress of higher education in South India.

12. There is in the first place the question of equality of standard of degrees with that of other Universities and particularly of Madras. The Durbar has declared its intention to maintain a high standard; and the Syndicate does not wish to throw doubt on the excellence of the Durbar's intentions. They feel, however, that such precautions as are possible should be taken against the possibility of the University's gradually declining from the high ideal of its original promoters. To this it may be answered that a University that gives an inferior degree must inevitably suffer for it, and that degrees find their own level of value. This may be so in the long run but at very great cost to the holders of them who in most cases have pursued the only courses of study open to them. It is surely worth while to take all precautions possible to ensure Mysore against a lowering of standards. So far no provision is to be found in the draft scheme making in this direction except the statement that some examiners will be appointed from outside and

as a set off to this it will be observed that no candidate will be considered to have failed in any subject except with the concurrence of at least two examiners. Apparently therefore a single examiner will be allowed to pass candidates in any subject.

13. Mr.Sharp suggests occasional inspection by a Commission appointed by the Government of India and this was apparently accepted by Sir M.Visvesvaraya. There is no allusion to any such outside supervision over the University's affairs in the draft scheme. The Syndicate would suggest the further investigation of this important suggestion with a view perhaps to the constitution of a small board of visitors authorised to report periodically to the Durbar and the Government of India on the state and progress of the University. Such a Board might be expected to be of great assistance to the Durbar, not only in aiding it in maintaining its examination standard but in generally promoting the efficiency of the University.

14. It is presumed that the territorial limits of the University will be the State of Mysore, but there is little in the draft scheme indicative of the Durbar's attitude towards the question of the admission of student from outside the State. Mr.Sharp has discussed this question, and it is clear that it is one that nearly concerns this University and the Government of Madras. It would be disastrous alike for Mysore and Madras if students were attracted in any large number by low fees and easy examinations to join Mysore colleges only to leave them with degrees which they found were little esteemed in other provinces. As already mentioned, it is hoped that the lure of easy examinations will not be held out, but that of low fees certainly will be. College fees are in Mysore hardly more than half the minimum in Madras Colleges. The draft says nothing about examination fees; it is probable that it is not intended to charge any as the examiners will be largely the University staff.

15. No doubt, so long as instruction in the vernaculars is confined to Canarese, it will be difficult, if not impossible, for many Madras students with other vernaculars to resort to Mysore, but Madras has a considerable canarese population in tracts within easy reach of Mysore. What, however, is more important is that the draft scheme expressly states that other languages will be introduced later on if found necessary and it may be safely assumed that this will b very soon found necessary

The Syndicate considers that the admission of outside students should be made subject to definite rules. The draft lays down that students who have taken Secondary School Leaving certificates in Mysore and after studying for an additional year in a selected High School have passed an admission examination should ordinarily be admitted to the University, but they have made no provision also for the admission of such as have not gone throughthis course and it must be admitted that if the rules are strictly observed Madras students will gain no advantage in point of time by going to Mysore after completing a school course in this Presidency. This negative check the Syndicate considers hardly sufficient and they commend for adoption Mr. Sharp's suggestion thatthe proportion of outside students be limited and that there should be a differential rate of fees for such students.

16. The Syndicate note that the Government of India place on he new University the onus of obtaining acceptance from other Universities and Governments of its degrees. They cannot of course at this stage say that the Madras University may be able to do in this direction but they would point out certain practical difficulties that will arise at ~~this~~ the outset. Candidates for Madras degrees in Medicine and Engineering must have passed the Intermediate Examination of t this University or someExamination considered equivalent. The Mysore scheme contains no examination in any way comparable to our Intermediate although it appears to be thought that the First year's examination which in English will be

"practically public" will serve our turn. If we are unable to take this view Mysore students who aspire to Madras degrees in these faculties will be at a considerable disadvantage and Mysore is likely to be early confronted with the inconvenience of having a University with so restricted a number of faculties.

We shall also no doubt be asked to accept the Arts degree as a qualification for entering on our course in Law. It would be premature to express any opinion as to our ability to do so but these considerations again suggest the advisibility of some co-operation between the Mysore authorities and the University in framing the University regulation.

17. In conclusion it is the deliberate opinion of the Syndicate based on no inconsiderable knowledge of educational conditions in Mysore that the probable result of Mysore establishing a University in the State free from all outside control or even effective criticism will be detrimental to educational progress and efficiency in the State itself and may react very unfavourably on those neighbouring provinces.

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29th May 1916

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Issued.

My dear Sir.

I enclose herewith for His Highness's kind perusal copy of a Residency letter communicating the views of the Govt of India on the opinions expressed by the Syndicate of the Madras University and the Madras Govt on the draft Scheme of the Mysore University.

I have arranged for an informal discussion of the questions with the Vice-Chancellor of the Madras University and shall also discuss, if an opportunity offers, with the officers of the Madras Govt and as far as can be foreseen at present there is no difficulty which cannot be adjusted amicably ~~and finally~~. We ~~must not~~ are going ahead ~~may therefore go ahead~~ with our preparations to start classes from 1st July next.

Yours sincerely

RC
Dewan

27.5.16

Mirza M. Ismail Esq

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My dear Ranjundayya

I send herewith

Copy of the Govt of India letter with the opinions of the Syndicate of the Madras University and the Madras Govt on our University Scheme.

I do not see any difficulty in the way of our starting classes from 1st July next, which can not be satisfactorily adjusted with the Madras University. I have arranged with Sri Srinivasaraghava for an informal discussion of the questions and if an opportunity presents itself I shall also discuss with the officers of the Madras Govt. ~~In the meantime,~~ I hope things are moving fast in your ~~You may need not hesitate to go ahead with the preparations~~ side.

Yours Sincerely
RV
Devan

27.5.16

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My dear Nanjundayya

I am in receipt of your letter of the 26th inst. and was glad to learn that the Madras University have stated that they would raise no difficulty in regard to the transition period. I note your views regarding the best ~~man~~ applicant for the Philosophy chair and they will receive ~~the~~ every consideration ~~at the hands of Govt.~~

I am trying to meet representatives of the Madras University and the Madras Govt in order to settle amicably the questions raised by the former. If your services are required, may I write and ask you kindly to come up here? I only write to keep you informed.

Yrs Sincerely
RO
28.5.16 Dewan

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DEWAN OF MYSORE

ANANDA ASRAM,
FERNHILL.

29th May 1916.

My dear Sir,

Should you like to go through the points raised in the University letter, with my I shall be very happy to call on you any time convenient to you tomorrow. If I do not hear from you, I shall understand that no preliminary meeting will be necessary for the purpose.

We Dewan are very grateful to you for all you have been doing in this matter.

Yours sincerely

To
The Hon'ble Mr Coles.

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H.V.Nanjundayya Esqr.,

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Your telegram of date. ~~Madras~~ Hella is being discussed ~~Both~~ ~~Goals are likely to~~ arrange matters amicably. No action on your part necessary except going ~~You may go~~ ahead with preparations.

Hope to wire ~~to you~~ before thirty first.

Returning on second morning.

Dewan.

29.5.16

Telegram dated the 2nd June 1916 from the Dewan of Mysore to the Hon'ble J.H. Stone, C.I.E., Director of Public Instruction in Madras, Ooonoor.

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Arrangements have been made to teach all Science subjects of Entrance Class in High School during coming year in Central College where ample facilities exist. Stop. Professors report that satisfactory facilities exist for teaching Physics and Chemistry in Mysore High School for same class with certain alterations which are being made. Stop. First Year University Class corresponding to Madras Senior Intermediate can be easily conducted with present staff and equipment. Stop. Additional staff advertised for and arrangements almost completed. Stop. Hope University will have no further objection to opening these classes.

Dewan.

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Hon'ble Mr. J.H.Stone,

Director of Public Instruction,

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TO
Name: Hon'ble Sir P. S. Sivaswamier
Address: Vice-Chancellor
Place: Bombay House, Ootacamund

NOTICE. PLEASE GIVE A FULL ADDRESS.

Have	this	day	Consulted ~~Fellows~~
our	~~University~~	~~Committee~~ Fellows	and
Sent	a	telegram	to
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Hon'ble Sir P.S. Sivaswamier
Vice-Chancellor, Bombay House,
Ootacamund.

Have this day consulted our ~~University Committee~~ Officers and sent a telegram to Hon'ble Mr. Stone at Coonoor as follows. Message begins. Arrangements have been made to teach all Science subjects of Entrance class in High School during coming year in Central College where ample facilities exist. Stop. Professors report that satisfactory facilities exist for teaching Physics and Chemistry in Mysore High School for same class with certain alterations which are being made Stop. First Year University Class corresponding to Madras Senior Intermediate can be easily conducted with present staff and equipment. Stop. Additional staff advertised for and arrangements almost completed. Stop. Hope University will have no further objection to opening these classes. Message ends. Kindly submit copy to His Excellency the Chancellor.

Dewan.

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BALLABROOIE,
HIGH GROUND,
BANGALORE.

2nd June 1916

My dear Sir,

I have this day sent you two messages on the subject of the Mysore University, copies of which I herein enclose. I am expecting the note which you kindly promised at ~~the~~ Wednesday's meeting. M Offg

Yours sincerely,
M. Visvesvaraya

The Hon'ble
Mr. J.H.Stone, C.I.E.

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Bangalore
3rd June 1916

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D. O. No. 4079/En: one

Dear Sir. P. Sivaswamy Iyer,

I have sent you ~~a message~~ yesterday regarding the Mysore University, ~~as per accompanying copy.~~ I have not heard from Mr Story yet.

With many apologies for troubling you,

Yours sincerely,

3.6.16

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57 Bangalore
3rd June 16.

O. No. 4080/Eu 2

My dear Sir,

On my return to Bangalore yesterday, ~~I had occasion to~~ consult ~~the~~ our officers on the University question, ~~and~~ After consultation I ~~have~~ sent telegrams to the Hon'ble Mr. J.H. Stone and the Hon'ble Sir P.S. Sivaswamy Iyer as per copies enclosed.

Yours sincerely,

3.6.16. Dewan

The Hon'ble

Mr. H.V. Cobb. C.S.I., C.I.E.

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No. 3981/Enc.1

From

Major T. H. St. George Tucker,
First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

To

The Dewan of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 7th June 1916.

S i r,

In continuation of my letter No. 6-C, dated the 26th May 1916 regarding the Mysore University, and with reference to the recent Conference at Ootacamund, I am directed to inform you that information has been received from the Madras Government that His Excellency in Council would prefer —

(1) that the number of students from Madras Districts joining the Mysore Colleges be limited to 10 per cent of the ----- strength of the latter and

(2) that the fees for Madras students in the first year class and the B.A., and B.SC., classes in the Mysore Colleges be charged at the rates prevailing from time to time at the Presidency College Madras for the Intermediate and B.A. classes respectively. A schedule of the rates of fees at present --- levied at the Madras Presidency College is enclosed and alterations therein will be duly communicated from time to time.

I have the honor to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd) T. St. G. Tucker,

First Assistant Resident.
"C o p y"

For Registrar.

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E N C L O S U R E.

Schedule of fees at the Presidency College, Madras.

	For the long term.		For the short term.	
	In advance.	By five equal instalments.	In advance.	By three equal instalments.
Intermediate course.	₹55/-	₹58-12-0	Rs.33-0-0	Rs.35-4-0
B.A.Degree course.	₹70/-	₹75- 0-0	Rs.42-0-0	Rs.45-0-0.

"C o p y"

D.O.T. No. 38/1916.

"St. Mary's",
Ootacamund,
5th June 1916.

Dear Sir Visveswara Ayyar,

I am sorry the enclosed note has been delayed. I wished Sir Sivaswami Ayyar to see it but found that he had left Ootacamund for Tanjore. He has consequently not seen it but I do not think there is anything in it he is likely to dissent from.

Thanks for your telegram about the high school classes. It in no way alters my view that you would be wise to take the Madras Intermediate for another year instead of opening these classes. The --- reason for this course is that it would give time for that discussion with the Madras Syndicate that ought to have taken place much earlier and which may be expected to do much conduce to the harmonious working of the two Universities. It moreover would be a manifestation of a friendly disposition towards Madras and a desire for an accommodation that would greatly strengthen the

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hands of those of us in the Syndicate who wish to serve Mysore interests.

The note does not of course cover all the points raised in the conversation at Government House. Some of these will be taken up by the Government of Madras.

Yours sincerely,

To

Sir M. Visveswara Ayyar,

Diwan of Mysore.

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The first suggestion made in the conversation at Government House on the [illegible] was that the Mysore University should begin its teaching work with its third year courses for the degree of [illegible] the [illegible] matriculating students who have passed the Mysore Intermediate Examination. As however it was understood that the transitory arrangements set forth in the draft scheme had been modified in this course, further remark on this point seems unnecessary.

The second was that the introduction of the scheme for the first two years' work should be for this year postponed, and that students should be admitted to the Mysore College in 1918 for the Mysore University first year course, i.e., for the first year of study for the Intermediate. The result of the two suggestions would be that the work of the Mysore College would be for the next three years as shown below :-

	Mysore University.	Mysore University.
1916-1917.	First year course Second year course Senior [illegible] course.	Second year [illegible] course.
1917-1918.	Second year course	2nd & 3rd years [illegible] courses. First year course in selected High School
1918-1919.	[illegible]	

First year course in selected High Schools
First year University course.

It remains to say something of the reasons for which these suggestions were made.

A reference to para 16 of the Syndicate's letter to the Government of Madras will show that they anticipated very considerable difficulty in accepting the courses and examinations mentioned in paras 7 and 16 as equivalent to the Intermediate examination of the Madras University

It is clearly important that Mysore students should at the end of their first two years' course in high school and college be eligible for admission to professional colleges in other Provinces and especially to the Madras Medical and Engineering Colleges. It may further be anticipated that some students will wish to join Madras Colleges for Honour courses and to obtain the Madras Degree in Honours which will, I think be admitted to have established a certain reputation. It is further to be noted, with regard to students aspiring to a Degree in Medicine that they must before entering upon a Medical course have passed an examination approved by the English General Medical Council. This is the case whether they join the Madras or any other Medical

colleges. The Syndicate have remarked that 'the Mysore scheme contains no examination in any way comparable to our Intermediate'. They have also expressed a doubt whether they will be able to accept the first University year's examination in that scheme as qualifying for admission to the professional courses which must precede admission to professional examinations. It is not conceivable that they should pronounce a final opinion on this point till they have had some opportunity of forming an opinion on the working of the courses and examinations that is to say at earliest towards the end of the second year of the Mysore University's work under the draft scheme and probably not until a first University year's examination had been actually held. In these circumstances if the Mysore scheme is initiated from next July, there is considerable danger that Mysore students will find themselves shut out from Madras Colleges, professional and others, and this is equally to be deprecated by Mysore and Madras.

It is hoped that the suggested postponement for a year of the opening of the classes attached to high schools would give time for discussion between the two universities of the points at issue which would result

in such modifications of the Mysore scheme as would enable the Madras University to recognize the Mysore first two years' course and its incidental examinations.

It was suggested that the first year's high school course might be confined for the first year to the colleges at Mysore and Bangalore. This would doubtless be an improvement and would give time for the organization of the four mofussil high schools for University work. It leaves however the question of examinations untouched. It may be taken as certain that the Madras Syndicate could only recognize as equivalent to our Intermediate a public examination held by the Mysore University at the conclusion of the first two years' course and that the same demand would be made by the General Medical Council. The Syndicate would further desire the creation of some machinery for assuring the establishment and maintenance of a sufficiently high examination standard. This point was exhaustively discussed in the conversation, but without prejudice to what was then said, the following further considerations are offered.

A very useful analogy may be found for the present position of the Mysore University in that of the smaller and newer English Universities in the last

twenty or thirty years. They were keenly alive to the necessity of establishing in themselves a standard of examination not below that of the Universities of established repute -- Oxford, Cambridge and London. They solved the problem by a system of reciprocity in the appointment of examiners. In England I believe there must be an equal proportion of internal and external examiners. The Mysore scheme says something about external examiners. It is suggested that one point that might be usefully discussed between the Universities would be the possibility of systematic reciprocity in the appointment of examiners. Madras has constantly appointed Mysore examiners. If this practice were to be continued and Mysore were to reciprocate a good deal would be done to secure uniformity of standard.

The above remarks apply at least as much to the ..... and B.Sc. as to the Intermediate examination. Two years hence Mysore graduates will want to enter the Madras Law College and we shall be asked to recognise Mysore Degrees, and it cannot be made too clear that this will not be done unless the Syndicate is satisfied as to the standard of the Mysore examinations.

It is perhaps unnecessary to reiterate that no doubt exists as to the excellence of Mysore intentions

in this regard, but it does not seem unreasonable to suggest that misgivings that assailed these infant English Universities might be expected to be shared by the infant Indian institution and that it should take the same anxious care as the, did for the preservation of a standard.

The Vice-Chancellor and other members of the syndicate present at the conversation concur in the views expressed in this note but it will be clearly understood that it amounts to nothing more than advice informally tendered to the proper University authorities

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My dear Manjunadayya

I have just received the Hon'ble Mr Stone's note and send you herewith a copy for your information. I received also your letter of yesterday enclosing lists of names for the Council and the Senate.

Will it be convenient to you to call at Ballabgarh at 4.30 this afternoon? We may review the whole position and settle the line of action for the future. There is no time to lose. Shall I ask Dr Sharma Rao to come up also?

I have been ready or I should have come over myself. 6.6.16

Yours Sincerely

K.V.

Dewan.

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"Bombay House", 69
Ootacamund,
7th June 1916.

Dear Sir Visvesvaraya,

I returned from Tanjore on Monday morning and found your telegram and letter waiting for me. Mr. Stone sent me a copy of a note which he had prepared as promised by him at the Conference. You will see that he considers that the Madras Syndicate would like to satisfy themselves as to the standard of your examinations before recognising the students who have completed your first year's University class as equal to those who pass our Intermediate examination. To ensure this object, he suggests a system of reciprocity with regard to the appointment of examiners. The proposal seems quite fair, and if you agree to it, it may facilitate the recognition by the Syndicate of your first year's course ~~of~~ the examination at the end of it as equivalent to our Intermediate.

Yours sincerely,

M Sivaswamy Aiyar

Sir M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E., Diwan of Mysore.

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Bangalore 70
6 June 1916.

H. No. 81.

Issued.

My dear Sir,

I received by this morning's post the Hon'ble Mr. Stone's note on the University arrangements. I send herewith a copy of the same and of Mr. Stone's covering letter.

I shall write again as to what action the Durbar propose to take in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

6.6.16

The Hon'ble
Mr. H.V.Cobb, C.S.I., C.I.E.

Issued. 62 71

Telegram

To

H.V.Nanjundayya Esqr.,

Mallesvaram,

Bangalore.

When may I expect draft reply ~~to Madras~~ regarding University & forward letter which you kindly promised to send. Dewan.

Dewan.

8.6.16

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MALLESVARAM,
BANGALORE.

8 June 1916

My dear Visvesvaraya,

I have the draft to the Residency almost ready and shall send them to you tomorrow.

I saw the Resident yesterday and we had a long conversation about the University. He thinks that it

would be advantageous to us to compromise and I think he is right.

It strikes me that as a further concession to their advice, we may keep the Junior Inter. Class also this year in Bangalore, and leave it to the option of students to enter that or the University Entrance Class.

This will remove the difficulty about recognition of 1st year's examn by another year, before the close of which the matter will be settled. As ~~the~~ Com sequence, we shall also keep the Senior Intermediate class next year (& only that class) on a similar optional basis.

In ellipse, there will be no need for this class, as their recognition will be re-

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MALLESVARAM,
BANGALORE.

9 June 1916

My dear Visvesvaraya,

I have called a meeting of the University Committee in Mysore for the morning of the 13th. One of the subjects to be considered is the appointment of Philosophy Professor. May I request you to direct that all the ap-

plications received may be sent over to me before that date?

In the draft notification to be issued by Govt. certain changes have to be made according to the decision about what classes will be opened. I have not made these corrections as

the posts are still unsettled. They could be easily inserted in the Secretariat. If there is any difficulty, I shall be glad to give personal in-structions if the Secretary will consult me.

The Intermediate & S.S.L.C results are all published ~~the~~ so the notification has to issue without any delay. Numerous enquiries

are being received and it is difficult to answer them with the present limited establishment.

If any material alterations are made in the draft bill & ordinances, Could you kindly ask the secretary to show them to me before the final stage!

Yours sincerely

H. Mainindayya

Sir M Visvesvaraya K.C.I.E.

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MALLESVARAM,
BANGALORE.

9 June 1916

My dear Visvesvaraya,

I have sent a draft of [illegible] which may be sent to the Residency for the Government of India. As the reply to ~~[illegible]~~ his minute is to go in a demi-official form, I have put the substance in the form of a note.

I am afraid however that the object of the suggestion against

opening the Entrance classes is to keep it undecided whether the whole of that part of the scheme should at all come into force. If this supposition is correct, I am afraid that our compromise may not be agreed to by the Madras authorities. But it would hardly be correct for us to inaugurate our University with a single class in ~~the~~ mid air without opening the first class in the High Schools. We must therefore manage to obtain this

much at least.

If we resolve upon opening the Intermediate Junior Class and the Year along with the Entrance Classes of High Schools, the problem of recognition of our first year's examination may remain in suspense for the present without disadvantage to anybody. As we have stated in our report, the proposal to have an additional Class in the High Schools is welcomed

in many quarters as an interesting and highly desirable departure, and we must certainly not sacrifice this feature of our scheme without giving it a fair trial for some years.

I hope my draft note will be of use to you.

Yours sincerely

H. Menjundayya

Sir M. Visvesvaraya K.C.I.E.
Dewan of Mysore

The following points are noted for inclusion in the D.O. reply to Mr. Stone's D.O. letter to the Dewan dated 5th June 1916.

Classes during transition.

The alterations suggested by Mr.Stone are due to the apprehension that students seeking admission into the Engineering and Medical Colleges may be denied the chance unless they pass the B.A. Examination. Very few candidates are admitted into these colleges on the strength of the Intermediate examination alone at present owing to want of accommodation, as preference is naturally given to graduates. The difficulty pointed out though theoretically existing is not really a serious one. Even that may be removed without altering our scheme to the full extent suggested. The Medical and the Engineering courses are open only to those who have passed in the science subjects for the Intermediate Examination. It is therefore unnecessary to postpone our scheme in the Mysore College. In the Central College we may keep up a Junior Intermediate class this year and leave it to the option of students to join that or the University Entrance Class in the High School. During the second year the Senior Intermediate class may be kept up for their benefit. It would be inconvenient and inexpedient to put off the opening of the Entrance classes altogether as many students who do not aspire to go beyond the B.A. would be anxious to have their continuous course from the beginning under the Mysore University.

e.g. (The Poona College has just declined to admit my son who has passed the Inter-Exn into the Engg. College).

(At any rate it is by such students that seek and obtain admission into these Colleges.

The resources of the High Schools in Mysore and Bangalore for teaching science subjects were examined by the University Committee and they have reported after taking the advice of the Professors concerned that Physics and -- Chemistry may be taught in the Maharaja's High School in Mysore and that in Bangalore these two subjects and the -- Natural Science subjects should for the first year be --- taught in the Central College as the High School has not the proper facilties. There would be no inconvenience in this arrangement as the two institutions are very near to each other.

Though it is the intention to equip all the -- selected High Schools with the means of teaching all the - subjects, it is impossible to do so this year. The High Schools of Shimoga and Tumkur will therefore teach only the "Arts" group of the subjects of the Entrance Class. No - special apparatus is required and there will be no difficulty in providing teachers. Moreover these classes will serve to prevent overcrowding in the other selected High Schools.

Reciprocity in the appointment of examiners.

It may without any hesitation be assumed by the Madras University that we are more concerned than they can be with keeping up the standards of our examinations and degrees. They should give us credit for more than mere - excellent intentions. Our Colleges have been behind no others hitherto in their results. What are we going to do to make them deteriorate?

As for having the help of ~~the~~ Madras Examiners &c we should always seek such help and welcome it. In fact

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we should like to have some of them on our Senate and - Boards of Studies and steps are being taken to procure - this result.

Indeed this reciprocity if established would be a very beneficial thing for both the Universities; and ~~t~~ there are no reasons against the arrangement being successfully made.

There will be difficulties of various kinds in submitting the University to any outside control. Education including University Education is a branch of the State business and cannot be separated into a separate class - by itself. But as the Senate &c will be composed of the best men available with educational and administrative experience, there can be no fear that the standard will be allowed to deteriorate. The Regulation reserves power to His Highness acting as Chancellor ~~the power~~ to order an inspection by visitors at any time. The best men -- available whether in or out of the State can be commissioned to do this task, and such inspection can be made as ---- effective as any agency procured altogether from outside can make it.

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CONFIDENTIAL.

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The draft scheme has been published and various representations and suggestions have been received. But it is observed that none of them indicate any misgivings about the success of the new institution. On the other - hand, they show that the scheme meets with general approval and contains various suggestions for amendment in details. The Committee have taken all these matters into consideration and have submitted a report together with the revised draft of a bill with the appended Ordinances considerably recast and improved.

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directly before the details of their scheme were fairly settled and the general approval of the Government of India obtained. They are now glad to receive the --- assurance of sympathetic help from them and will ~~certainly~~ gratefully take advantage of it in future. On matters affecting the interests of the Madras University and the Madras -- Presidency, the Durbar is ready to adopt such rules and - precautions as may be considered to be necessary. In fact they never had the intention of setting up any rivalry -- between the Colleges of Mysore and those of Madras, ~~just as hitherto~~ They wanted to guard themselves against the charge of exclusiveness and ~~wish~~ to treat students from Madras as liberally as Mysore students have always been - treated in British India. But, if it is the wish of the - Madras aythorities that any special barriers should be - erected in the way of the Madras students joining our - Colleges, the Durbar will have no objection to do so. As it is, it has been the practice in Mysore (as it is --- believed to be elsewhere) to give preference to Mysore - students and it would not be any innovation or create any hardship if the proportion of outside students is restricted in any manner that may be considered suitable.

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Secretary to Govt

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one without the classes below it. We should greatly have liked to open the 1st year's class also at the University, as it is not convenient to break the continuity of our courses by beginning only with the 2nd year's class. But on account of the intermediate Passed men, this was to have been an inevitable, and so we have resolved to accept the suggestion of 1st having this class in the coming year.

I trust that this will satisfy the University & the Govt of Madras & that as indicated in the letter of the Madras Govt to the G.I., we shall have the cordial support & valuable help of the Madras University in carrying

benefit of those who elect to join the Junior Intermediate this year. The University Entrance class under the Mysore Scheme will be opened in the selected High Schools in Bangalore, Mysore, Shimoga and Tumkur. In view of what has been stated above, it is quite unnecessary and highly inconvenient to put off the opening of these classes altogether as many students who do not aspire to go beyond the B.A. Degree would be anxious to have ~~their~~ a continuous course from the beginning under the Mysore University.

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With regards,

Yours sincerely

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Such changes as may be deemed necessary to satisfy the Madras authorities will be made in the examination of candidates at the end of the 1st year to make it equivalent to the Intermediate Exam of that University.

The Durbar trust that the above alterations made ~~solely~~ with a view to meet the ~~suggestions~~ wishes of Madras will be found adequate to safeguard all the interests ~~of Madras~~ and that the authorities of the University will now see their way to allow Mysore to start the University Entrance Classes as explained in paragraph ....above, and in due course to accord full recognition to the Mysore Examination and Degrees.

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Mysore 97
11th June 1916

Dear Sir P.Sivaswamy Aiyar,

I am ~~extremely~~ much obliged to you for your letter of the 7th instant regarding University matters. We have received the Hon'ble Mr. Stone's note and we ~~fully~~ particularly appreciate the friendly spirit in which the suggestions ~~of the Madras are~~ have been offered. We are endeavouring to meet your views, as far as we can, and we hope that a settlement satisfactory to both ~~will~~ may soon be reached.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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(Dewan).

The Hon'ble

Sir P.S.Sivaswamy Aiyar, K.C.S.I

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Mysore
11th June 1916

Issued.

To

The Hon'ble

Mr. Stone, C.I.E.

Dear Mr. Stone,

I am much obliged to you for your letter of the 5th instant and the confidential note on University arrangements kindly forwarded therewith. We are giving our best attention to the suggestions you have made with ~~an eye to~~ every wish to meet~~ing~~ the views of your Syndicate as far as we can. The Durbar much appreciate the friendly and sympathetic tone of your letter.

Yours sincerely,

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MAHARAJA'S COLLEGE,
MYSORE, 13th June 1916

Dear Sir M. Visvesvaraya,

Mr Stone's Memo. (which you kindly placed at my disposal) & the original letter of the Madras Syndicate to the Madras Government (which Mr Nanjundaiya read this morning) have given me much cause for reflection. I am sure that so far from resenting, you will welcome my placing my views before you.

The matter seems to me a very simple one, the

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Madras University has no right to discuss the expediency of our establishing a University — or even to say what Classes shall or shall not be opened on July 1st. First, we want them to recognise the Examination at the close of the First Year as qualifying for admittance to the Madras Technical & Medical Colleges. Now, in practice, already none but Science & Mathematics students are admitted to these Colleges. The handful of our students who apply for such courses may therefore be confined to the Science & Mathematical Classes at the Central College. I had an interview with Mr

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Metcalfe this morning, & he (10)
(perhaps reluctantly) admitted
that under the New Scheme, his
Students at the End of the First
Year would not be far behind
those of the present Inter-
mediate. I said Government
would be delighted if he
would make reasonable
suggestions to secure the necessary
standard. It appeared then
that he doubted the Efficiency
of the Collegiate High Schools
& the disinclination of the Depart-
ment to have them properly
Supervised by the University.
Here, unfortunately, I have
my own doubts, & it is
clear that the Toronto University
are at least diffident on
this point. Yet the remedy
is obvious & simple. We
should remove a lot of opposi-
tion if we gave unmistakeable

guarantee of efficiency for these schools. The latter are the keystone of the whole edifice

But to return. All we want is that the Madras University should recognise the merits of the few Mysore students who are likely to join the Madras College, & this should not be a difficult matter. 95% of our students want nothing from Madras, & for this reason Madras should not try to prevent our opening the Adyapatti High School, nor the First Years' Course. I do not agree with Mr Nanjundiah that we should condemn all our faculty SIA & promotion students to the dead certainty of another wholesale slaughter next year. Nearly all the men who want to join our First

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MYSORE, ... 191

Year, and in Everyone's interests
Especially those of Madras, & in
the interests of our Continuous
course of three years, we
should give our students the
option of a S.I.A. course
or of our First Year course.
If we force all the students
into the S.I.A, we may
probably have a class of
250–300 students, divided
into 3 or 4 sections — &
why forsooth? — in order
that the Madras University
may have time to discuss
our courses &c which, so
far as it is concerned, have

to do with some half dozen students per annum. The attitude is most unreasonable.

Secondly, as regards the recognition of our BA degree for legal studies, we have two years in which to discuss that. Meanwhile, Mr Bhabha, who is on the Bombay Syndicate, says that the Bombay University will be glad to recognise our BA. degree; & as it is, the great majority of our Law students go by preference to Bombay for the LL.B. degree. (Mr Bhabha's name suggests that, without any suggestion from me, he enlarged on the necessity for official Headmasters & masters

of our Collegiate High Schools, was stronger on the point than I am.)

I have much more that I could say, but I must not trench further on your patience. The mere fact that I have taken the time & trouble to put the case clearly from my point, which Mr Metcalfe saw was reasonable, will show my genuine interest in the matter.

If you wish, I have no objection to Mr Nanjundiah seeing this letter.

I have thought over the list of the Councillors & Senators & think it may stand exactly as it is.

With apologies,
I am
Yours sincerely
Wm Duncan

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I have &c.

Secretary

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MAHARAJA'S COLLEGE,
MYSORE, June 15th 1916

Dear Mr D'Souza,

Herewith the draft of the answer to Mr Stone. Of course, I disagree with the omission of the First Years Course for Arts Students who want to recognition from Madras. There will be a great outcry, if we condemn some 250–300 men to certain slaughter next year. This is my chief objection. I think para 3 might be modified as regards

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matters. 'One' is sufficient.

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I would certainly omit the
x latter half.

Yours sincerely
Theo Drake

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As for having the help of the Madras examiners, we should always seek such help and welcome it. Indeed reciprocity in this matter, if established, can only have beneficial results for both the Universities, and the Durbar are quite willing to accept the proposal. - - Details may be left for subsequent settlement. It may be stated here that we are anxious to have some Madras Professors and educationists on our Council, Senate and Boards of Studies and steps are being taken to bring about this result.

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LAKE VIEW,
YELWAL ROAD,
MYSORE.

15th June 1916.

Dear Sir Stone,

In reply to your letter of 5th instant, I send herewith a note showing what modifications will be made in our scheme in order to arrive at a satisfactory understanding with the Madras University. We have practically accepted all the suggestions made in your letter save one. You will, I think, agree that it would not do to open only one class in connection with our University and that class in mid-air. We should greatly have liked to open our first year's class also in order to maintain the continuity of our courses. But we have resolved to accept your suggestion chiefly to meet your views. I may also add that we accept the proposal of the Government of Madras in regard to the levy of fees in the case of students from the Madras Presidency.

I trust that this will satisfy the University and the Government of Madras and that hereafter we shall have the cordial support and help of the Madras University in carrying out our project.

We should be grateful if you would kindly inform me by wire whether speaking for yourself and the Members of the Syndicate

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whom you can conveniently consult, the arrangements suggested above are acceptable. As you are aware our preparations are well forward and we propose beginning work from 1st July.

Yours faithfully

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Though it is the intention of His Highness' Government to equip all the selected High Schools with the means of teaching all the subjects, it is impossible to do so this year on account of the difficulty of obtaining apparatus and articles manufactured in Europe. The High Schools at Shimoga and Tumkur and the Maharaja's College, Mysore will therefore teach only the Arts group of the subjects of the Entrance class. No --- special apparatus is required for this purpose and there will be no difficulty in providing teachers. Moreover, - these classes will serve to prevent overcrowding in the other selected High Schools.

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Issued.

Mysore,

16th June 1916.

My dear Mr. Cobb,

I enclose herewith copy of a letter I have written to the Hon'ble Mr. Stone ~~and of~~ in reply to his letter of the 5th inst. A copy of the note referred to in the letter ~~herein~~ regarding ~~the University~~ arrangements ~~to~~ on the University matters is also attached ~~and attached~~ ~~arrangements~~. It will be seen that we have accepted nearly all the suggestions of Mr. Stone save one. I hope the Madras University will ~~not raise~~ see fit to accommodate my ~~any further objections~~ views.

Yours sincerely,

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16.6.16.

The Hon'ble

Mr. H.V. Cobb, C.S.I., C.I.E.,

Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.

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Issued..

Mysore,
15th June 1916
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Dear Sir P. S. Iyer,

I enclose herewith copy of a D.O. letter I have written to the Hon'ble Mr Stone in reply to his letter dated the 15th instant, together with a copy of the Note therein referred to — I send these copies to you in pursuance of your request before the Hon'ble the Chancellor — Sd calleney

Perhaps it might interest you to see the opinion formed of our University scheme by Dr Mackichan the present Vice Chancellor of the Bombay University — I enclose an advance copy of his article which has been sent for publication in the Mysore Economic Journal

Yours sincerely,

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THE RESIDENT
MYSORE

THE RESIDENCY,
BANGALORE.

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My dear Sir M. Visvesvaraya,

I am much obliged for your kind letter of the 16th with enclosing a copy of your note & letter despatched to the Hon. Mr Horne.

I should be most interested to hear what reply you receive in due course which, I think, will be of a pleasant character.

Yours sincerely

H. V. Cobb.

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Submitted to His Highness.

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I submit, for His Highness' information, copies of my letter dated the 15th instant to the Hon'ble Mr. J.H.Stone, Director of Public Instruction in Madras, and of the note which accompanied it, embodying our views on the suggestions made by the Syndicate of the Madras University regarding the starting of work under the Mysore University from July next.

2. In view of the objections raised by Madras, it has become necessary to postpone the opening of the first year's University class for one year and to retain, in the Central College, the Junior Intermediate class under the Madras University for another year for the benefit of such of the students as may wish to go to a professional college at the end of the Intermediate course. The University Entrance classes under the Mysore Scheme will be opened in the selected High Schools in Bangalore, Mysore, Shimoga and Tumkur and for the candidates who have passed the Intermediate Examination of 1916, the B.A. classes under the Mysore University will be opened in both the Colleges.

I have personally explained the situation to His Highness from time to time.

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MALLESVARAM,
BANGALORE.

23rd June 1916.

My dear Visvesvaraya,

Now that the opening of the University is certain after the last notification issued by Government, I think we may try to open the First Year's - University Class also. According to Mr.Stone's letter, the Madras University will agree to our opening it -- next year. What does it matter to them whether we do so this year alone. We shall not ask them for two -- years to recognise our firt year's examination for any of their courses, as we keep up the Junior and Senior Intermediate classes in Bangalore on a scale adequate for those who wish to enter on professional studies - at this stage.

The question of recognising or not recognising our degree examination will arise only two years - hence, and by that time, we shall have arrived at an understanding (I hope) with the Madras and Bombay --- Universities.

It will not be too late to reallot the ---- students to the new course, if we can bring round the Madras authorities to withdraw their objection to this course within 2 or 3 weeks after we begin. If you can kindly let me see all the later correspondence with the Madras authorities, I shall be able to see whether it is of use to proceed further in this line.

Yours sincerely,

H. Mangundayya

To,

Sir M.Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E.

Dewan of Mysore.

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Copy of letter issued to FR on 24th June 1916. Original in the Hon'ble

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GOVERNMENT OF H. H. THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.
GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

No.

Dated Bangalore,.....June.....1916.

FROM

P. G. D'SOUZA, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Departments of Education, Agriculture, Industries and Commerce.

TO

MAJOR T. H. ST. GEORGE TUCKER,
First Assistant to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.S-C. dated the 26th May 1916, conveying certain suggestions from the Government of India, together with its enclosures which contain the views of the Government of Madras and the Syndicate of the Madras University on the draft scheme for the Mysore University.

2. Acting on the approval kindly accorded by the Government of India to the introduction of a University, the Durbar appointed a Committee consisting of the principal educational and other officers of the State for revising the draft scheme and elaborating all necessary details, with a view to start work on the new University from 1st July 1916.

3. The Residency letter forwarding the communications from the Madras Government and the Madras University was received on the 27th May 1916, that is, less than five weeks before the date fixed for commencing work on the new University.

As the academic year begins on the 1st July, the inauguration of the University could not be postponed without sacrificing

another whole year. In these circumstances, His Excellency the Chancellor of the Madras University was approached by the Hon'ble the Resident at the instance of the Durbar and His Excellency was kind enough to arrange for an informal discussion, in his presence, at a meeting held at Government House at Ootacamund on the 31st May 1916, at which the Vice Chancellor and the leading representatives of the Madras University; the Hon'ble the Resident and the Dewan were present.

4. All the questions raised in the letters of the Madras Government and the Madras University as well as others bearing on the future relations between the two Universities were frankly discussed at the meeting and as a result of those discussions, certain suggestions have since been informally communicated to the Durbar on behalf of the Madras University. The Durbar, with a view to meet the wishes of Madras, as far as possible, have accepted all of them save one which relates to the University Entrance Class.

The representatives of Madras seemed to have no objection to the Durbar starting work on the new University from 1st July 1916. The Durbar were definitely informed that there would be no objection to the starting of the second year's B.A. course from that date. The representatives of Madras, however, suggested the postponement for another year of the University Entrance Class and the first year's B.A. class mainly, as it seemed, with a view to further discussion of details of the courses leading up to the examination at the end of the first B.A. class. The Durbar have agreed to postpone the first year's class for another year and this will give sufficient time for any further discussion that may be considered necessary.

The Durbar have arranged to start the University Entrance Class from 1st July next as postponement of that class seemed undesirable; but to further meet the wishes of Madras, they have simultaneously arranged to maintain for another year the corresponding class under the Madras University in one of the State Colleges

for the benefit of students proceeding to professional courses at the end of the Intermediate examination.

5. The Durbar have also adopted the suggestion made by the Madras Government that the number of Madras students to be admitted into the Mysore University should be limited to ten per cent of the total number admitted and that, in their case, fees should be - levied on the scale obtaining in the Madras Presidency College.

6. The draft scheme was published and the suggestions for the improvement of the scheme which were invited from the public have been received. As a rule these refer mainly to details. As regards the scheme itself, there is a singular unanimity of opinion in its favour.

7. The University Committee have carefully examined all the representations and submitted a report with a revised draft of a Bill and the Ordinances. The Bill is being introduced into the State Legislative Council and steps have been taken to provide the necessary staff and equipment to give effect to the scheme. Copies of the Bill and the Ordinances are hereto attached.

8. In these circumstances, I am to state for the information of the Government of India that further action is being taken for passing the University Bill into law and to commence work under the new University from the 1st week of July 1916. The negotiations with the Madras University will be pursued till a proper understanding is reached in regard to their ~~further~~ future relations with Mysore.

9. The Durbar would esteem it a favour if the Hon'ble the Resident will kindly convey to His Excellency the Chancellor of the Madras University an expression of their gratitude for the interest and sympathy shown by His Excellency with a view to arrive at a satisfactory settlement of the questions at issue. They also desire to acknowledge with their sincere thanks the active help they

have received from the Hon'ble the Resident during the negotiations.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Offg. Secretary to Government,

Departments of

Education and Agriculture.

R.N.3.

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BOMBAY HOUSE,
OOTACAMUND.

26th June 1916.

Dear Sir Visvesvaraya,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant and its enclosures. I have communicated the contents to His Excellency the Governor. Without placing the -- matter before the Syndicate, it is not possible to say anything more than that your proposals will be sympathetically considered.

I remain,
Yours sincerely,
Pitiadwamy Raju

Sir M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E.,
Diwan of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Confidential letter D.O.No.T.76/16 dated Ootacamund, 28th June 1916, from the Hon'ble Mr.Stone, to the Dewan of Mysore

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I am sorry I have left your letter of the 15th so long unanswered. I have been in correspondence with Mr.Allen about it.

The questions at issue appear now to have left the stage of informal discussion and I do not think I can say more now than that any application from the Mysore University will no doubt engage the best attention of the Syndicate and that the Mysore concessions to Madras views will receive due recognition.

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D. O. No. 4131

136 Bangalore
1 July 16

Dear Mr. Stone,

I am extremely obliged to you for your letter No.76/16 of the 28th June 1916, intimating that any application from the Mysore University will ~~engage~~ have the best attention of the Syndicate and that the Mysore concessions to Madras ~~will receive~~ views will receive due recognition. ~~The Durbar greatly appreciate the sympathetic tone of your letter.~~

~~Perhaps you will kindly let me know whether any formal application from the Mysore University regarding the recognition of examinations and degrees is necessary, or whether the materials already laid before the Syndicate are sufficient to arrive at a decision.~~

Yours sincerely,

1.7.16

Dewan.

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137 Bangalore
1st July 16.

D. O. No. 4132/Exam

My dear Nanjundayya,

I enclose herewith copy of a letter received to-day from the Hon'ble Mr. Stone. The letter seems satisfactory. I shall be obliged if you will kindly favour me with your views as soon as you can. The very first act of the new University will have to be to send up a formal application to the Madras University. It is important that the question should be dealt with by the officers of Madras who have understood the situation. Perhaps you will also kindly consider whether a similar application may not be addressed to the Bombay University also.

Yours sincerely,

1.7.16

Dewan.

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D. O. No. 4133/Ex ane

Bangalore
1 July 16
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My dear Sir,

I enclose herewith in original a letter from the Hon'ble Mr. Stone regarding the attitude of the Madras University towards our own institution. The letter seems ~~to be very~~ satisfactory and such action will be taken to ~~ask for~~ expedite a ~~very early~~ decision.

Yours sincerely,

1.7.16

Dewan.

Mirza M. Ismail Esqr., B.A.

130. D. O. No. 4154/Ex1

139 Bangalore
7th July 16

My dear Mr. Cobb,

I enclose herewith a copy of the Hon'ble Mr. Stone's letter of the 28th June 1916, in reply to mine of the 15th idem, regarding the arrangements made in connection with the Mysore University. I am sorry ~~there has been~~, through oversight, ~~some~~ ~~like this slight~~ dealy in sending this to you.

in my office there has been some delay.

Yours sincerely,

7-7-16

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The Hon'ble Mr. H.V. Cobb, C.S.I., C.I.E.

D.O. No. 4785. Rec'd 7/7/16.

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THE RESIDENCY,
BANGALORE.

My dear Sir Visvesvaraya,

Thank you for your d.o. letter No. 4154 dated today & for its enclosure viz. copy of Mr Hume's letter dated the 28th ult.

I think it we should have officially from the Madras Govt. in due course.

With all good wishes,

Believe me,

Yours sincerely

H.V. Cobb.

H. V. NANJUNDAYYA, M.A., M.L., C.I.E.

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Mysore
MALLESVARAM,
BANGALORE.

10 Aug. 1916

My dear Visvesvaraya,

I enclose herewith drafts of letters to the Madras and other Universities about the recognition to be accorded to our University. These are only rough drafts drawn up by me, and will be placed before the meet-

MAIL SERVANT
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ting of the Council on the 12th; and I shall send you copies of the drafts as passed before despatching them.

The arrangements for the Madras classes described in the Inspector General's letter to which the Madras Registrar's letter (of which you sent me a copy with your D.O. letter of 29 July (No. 4203)

have been somewhat al-
tered, and so I have
drafted a letter merely in-
forming them of what we
have actually done. I
have not asked that they
should continue the affi-
liation, for that may be
assumed.

In the letter for af-
filiation, I think it better
that the request be word-
ed differently to Madras.
I am however diffident

as to whether the Universities addressed will not consider that the request is yet premature or ask for fuller information. However we shall know their attitudes. Of course it remains to be seen what the advice of our own Council will be

The Council meets on Saturday noon. I shall feel obliged if you send me a line about your views by tomorrow's mail.

Yours Sincerely
H. Macgillivray

To

The Registrar of the University of Madras.

Sir,

In continuation of the letter of the ----- Inspector General of Education in Mysore No. 22951/3889 dated 15th May 1916 and with reference to your reply No.3733 dated 23rd May 1916 to him, I am directed to state for the information of the Syndicate of the Madras University, that the following arrangements have been made finally for the carrying on the Madras University classes in the two Colleges of the State.

In Mysore, the Senior Intermediate and the Senior B.A. and Honours (History) classes are maintained for this year. In the Central College, Bangalore, both the Junior and the - Senior Intermediate classes have been organised; and the Senior B.A. class also continued. The Senior Intermediate class will also be continued next year. There is one student who has taken up Honours in Physics and is continuing his study in this College.

In both places, the University Entrance - class and the 2nd year's B.A. class have been opened to take the place of the Junior Intermediate and the Junior B.A. classes respectively of the Madras Course.

I have &c.

Registrar.

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To

The Registrar,
Madras University.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith the University Regulation and certain other papers connected with the inauguration of the University of Mysore for the information of the University of Madras. The scheme of Examinations and - Degrees of the Mysore University is embodied in the Regulations. It is the intention of the - Government of His Highness the Maharaja of --- Mysore that other branches of studies should be gradually introduced. But the students of -- Mysore will have for the present to proceed to Madras and other Universities as hitherto for the prosecution of their studies in the faculties of Law, Medicine and Engineering.

1. Regulation & Ordinances.
2. Report of the University Comm. & the G.O. thereon.

I am therefore to request that the papers accompanying this letter may be kindly placed - before the Syndicate of your University for -- consideration so that steps may be taken to - grant the same recognition to the examinations and degrees of this University as may be given under the rules to similar degrees and examinations of other Universities. The University - of Mysore will feel grateful if this recognition is accorded early, as it would enable them to - regulate their courses and examinations properly and also give an assurance to intending ----- students of their being free to elect their - present courses in this University without -- anxiety about their future.

I need hardly add that the Mysore University will gladly consent to accord reciprocal treatment to the Madras University.

I have &c.

Registrar.

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To

The Registrar of the University
of Bombay,
Calcutta,
Allahabad.

Sir,

Under the direction of the Council of the University of Mysore (established on 1st July last), I have the honour to address you on the subject of the recognition of the degrees and examinations of the said University, for all purposes for which such recognition may be accorded by your University under the Acts and Regulations in force. A copy of the Regulation (Act) passed by the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore incorporating the --- University together with copies of important papers connected therewith is sent herewith.

You will find that we have made provision for the present for degrees only in arts and - sciences; and that for higher studies in law, medicine and engineering, our men have as -- hitherto to proceed to outside Colleges and - Universities. The State as you know was hitherto under the jurisdiction of the University of Madras, and Madras degrees and examinations - were being recognised by your University for - various purposes. As may be judged from the - papers enclosed, our new University has been built upon what our two Colleges had already - achieved under the older University, and our degrees and examinations have been so regulated

as to keep up (even if they may not raise) the standard hitherto attained.

I am therefore to request that the matter may be kindly placed before the Governing body of your University, and to state that this University will be grateful if such recognition can be granted to its degrees, diplomas and examinations as may be accorded under the Rules and as has hitherto been accorded to the corresponding degrees and distinctions of the University of Madras.

I may add that this University is likely to introduce other branches and faculties gradually; and of course, it will at all times be glad to grant the fullest amount of reciprocity possible under its rules to the graduates and students of the University of

I have &c.

Registrar.

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Bangalore
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My dear Nanjundayya

I am much obliged to you for the drafts of letters to the Ministers of Madras & Bombay sent with your letter of the 10th inst. The general lines of these drafts seem to be all right. I presume they will come up to Govt. before issue. I hope formal approval

I am sorry I could not send you a reply yesterday ~~as I was a little out of sorts~~.

Yours sincerely
RO
12. 8. 16
Dewan

Issued 12. 8. 16.

No. 151

D. O. No. 5321/Ex 1/[illegible]

Mysore,
7th November 1917.

My dear Mr. D'Souza,

I am asked to return the file about the recognition of our University degrees by Madras. The Dewan will be obliged if you will kindly furnish him with a draft letter to the Vice-Chancellor of the Madras University, as from the Dewan, inviting attention to the ~~negotiations and~~ informal understanding which was reached last year with the authorities of the Madras University on the subject. You may recollect we have carried out all the conditions which they imposed, viz., the retention of the Intermediate Class in Bangalore last year; the promise not to admit more than ten per cent of outside students and to levy specially higher fees ~~to~~ on the Madras students. It almost amounts to a breach of faith that after the undertaking has been carried out faithfully on our part, an evasive reply should now be sent by the Syndicate of the Madras University. There ~~is~~ appears to be no great difficulty in amending the Bye-laws and extending general recognition to the Mysore University degrees if only the Madras University chose to do. It is because that the new faculties in our Universities are not yet fully developed that the concession

was asked for. Ordinarily it ~~should~~ might have be expected that such reciprocity ~~should~~ would have been be accorded by the parent University.

Yours sincerely,